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HOUSE "INSURGENTS" VICTORIOUS

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JOSEPH G. CANNON REFLECTED SPEAKER

For the Fourth Consecutive Time, Getting 204 Votes, Champ Clark of Missouri Receiving 166—One of the Stormiest Sessions in History of the House—Mr. Cannon Addressed the Members.

Washington, March 15.—Today after one of the stormiest sessions in its history, the house of representatives, regardless of party alignment, adopted by a vote of 211 to 172 a resolution by Mr. Fitzgerald (democrat) of New York, whereby the rules were amended in several particulars. The resolution was a substitute for one offered by Mr. Clark of Missouri, the minority leader.

Mr. Fitzgerald's Resolution. His resolution abolished the present requirement of obtaining the consent of the speaker for the submission of bills under unanimous consent; required that before the close of a session of congress all reported bills should be placed in a calendar where there may be a chance for their consideration; made necessary a two-thirds instead of a majority vote for the calendar Wednesday, and provided for a modification of the present power of the committee on rules to force a vote on a bill.

Mr. Fitzgerald declared that those who were so persistent in their advocacy of changing the rules had not made a concrete suggestion, unless it was to take away the power of the speaker. To the "insurgents" proposed committee on committees, Mr. Fitzgerald said he was unalterably opposed. The changes suggested by him, he said, would curtail the power of the speaker.

One reform which the amendment would effect, he said, would be to give the minority an opportunity to vote to recommit the tariff bill with instructions. Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Clark became involved in a sharp colloquy. Mr. Fitzgerald had yielded to the minority leader for a question, but he proceeded to propound it to Mr. Dalzell.

The New York member insisted that it was an abuse of his courtesy, and that the question should be asked of him. "I am going to do it, and I don't want any slapdash about it, either," sharply retorted Mr. Clark. "I decline to yield," was Mr. Fitzgerald's response, amid republican applause.

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Cable Paragraphs

Naples, March 15.—The United States supply ship Celtic, which has been engaged in delivering aid to the earthquake sufferers, will arrive here Wednesday and will leave for the United States next week.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—A series of strong earthquake shocks were recorded on Russian seismographs on Saturday and Sunday. It is estimated that the scene of the disturbance was approximately in the region of the Philippines and Formosa.

Lisbon, March 15.—A violent scene occurred in the chamber of deputies today when the cabinet attacked the government, particularly the minister of finance, M. Liebaert, in connection with a \$4,000,000 loan. The sitting was twice suspended and finally was adjourned amidst an uproar.

London, March 15.—Ambassador and Mrs. Reid entertained the American Rhodes scholars at luncheon today. The students were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. George Robert Parkin and General Oxford professors. The members of the American embassy also were present. Toasts were drunk to King Edward and President Taft, and a silent toast to Cecil Rhodes was proposed. The luncheon was followed by a concert.

Several Church Disputations Necessary. Rev. Father Chittick officiated. The marriage was formally witnessed by John Barrymore, brother of the bride, and Rosewell Colt, brother of the groom. Several church disputations were necessary as Mr. Colt is a Roman Catholic, his bride is a resident of another diocese, and it is not the custom of the church to marry in Lent.

Public Surprised. Tonight Miss Barrymore's manager declared that she would be a surprise to him as to the public. HOW CARMACK WAS SLAIN. Contention That Tennessee Senator Was Shot from Behind.

Nashville, Tenn., March 15.—Attorney General McCann resumed his closing argument today in the trial of the Cooper and John D. Sharp for the murder of General Carmack. General Carmack was shot in the back—he was shot from behind. The Cooper and John D. Sharp came out of Carmack's mouth and shot at him. It is no more chivalrous to shoot a dead man in the back than to shoot a live one.

Wireless Across Atlantic. Naval Department Contracts for Apparatus to Transmit Messages 3,000 Miles. The fight over the rules of the house began at 1:22 p. m. when Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania offered a resolution making the rules of the last house those of the present session. The democrats forced a roll call on ordering the previous question.

Case of Colonel Cooper. Not Yet Given to Jury. Judge Hopes to Complete Charge Today—State's Attorney Threatened. Nashville, Tenn., March 15.—The general belief that the case would go to the jury today, caused the largest crowd to assemble to try to get into the court house for the final scenes of the trial of Colonel D. B. Cooper, Robert Cooper and J. D. Sharp for the murder of General Carmack.

Wounds Were Self-Inflicted. Bernard Solomon Said He Had Been Attacked by Neighbor. Monticello, N. Y., March 15.—Bernard Solomon, who was found dying of a dozen knife wounds in his dining room today, and who told the police that he had been attacked by a neighbor, said today that he was the victim of a self-inflicted attack.

Fast Trip by Mallory Liner. Galveston to New York, 2,200 Miles, in 4 Days, 15 Hours. New York, March 15.—The Mallory liner, which reached this port from Galveston today, made the fastest sea trip on record between the two cities. The ship traveled the 2,200 miles in 4 days, 15 hours and 15 minutes, an average speed of 19.16 knots.

Stole Goods from New London Railroad Station. New London, Conn., March 15.—George L. Rutherford, who was arrested in Bridgeport today and taken to New Haven, and later brought here under suspicion of being a baggage thief, tonight identified a quantity of goods which he stole from the local railroad station and sold to a dealer in second-hand clothing. He will be tried in the morning.

Must Pay \$17,000 for Granting Rebates. St. Louis, March 15.—Judge Adams in the United States circuit court of appeals today sustained a decision of the St. Paul federal court which fined for granting rebates of half a cent a bushel or grain shipped by the Spencer company of Milwaukee.

Movements of Cipriano Castro. Dresden, March 15.—Cipriano Castro, the former president of Venezuela, is expected to leave here on March 20 for Bordeaux. He will remain at Cologne for two or three days, and then proceed to Bordeaux. He has again declared his intention of proceeding to Venezuela.

Fire at Winsted. Winthrop, Conn., March 15.—Fire started from an overheated stove tonight destroyed a dwelling house on Pleasant street owned by William C. Weir, entailing a loss of \$8,000.

Ethel Barrymore
Married Sunday
Held in \$1,000
Italian Suspects
Condensed Telegrams

General Slavinsky, Chief of the prison at Alinsk, Russia, was killed Sunday in the vicinity of the prison by an unknown man. James W. Ham of Richmond, Va., for many years secretary of the state board of health and one time member of the state legislature, died Sunday, aged 75 years.

George B. Davison, president of the Eureka Moore company of Utica, and prominent inventor and manufacturer of farm implements, died at Utica on Saturday at the age of 72. Edmund N. Merrell, former governor of Kansas, banker and financier, died Monday at a hospital in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Merrell came to San Antonio for his health about two months ago, suffering from heart trouble.

Boeker T. Washington of Tuskegee spoke to a large crowd at Rock Hill, S. C., Sunday. His topic was industrial education, and his audience was composed of both whites and negroes. He urged his race to stick close to the soil. From Observations Made by Robert W. Hubbard, Commissioner of Statistics, it appears that the number of unemployed in New York is gradually becoming less, and that the condition of those forced to the part of the city to apply for public relief and shelter is rapidly being improved.

TROOPS PILLAGE VILLAGES. Fighting Peasants Ruthlessly Slain by Persian Soldiers—No Mercy for Women. St. Petersburg, March 15.—A despatch to the Novoe Vremya from Jaffa, on the frontier between Persia and Russia, says that the Persian government horsemen and 600 infantrymen are marching on Jaffa from the Persian bank of the Araxes river, devastating the villages in their path and shooting down the people. Already ten villages, four of them inhabited by Russian subjects, have been pillaged and burned.

FINDS A NEW ASTRAL LAW. Boston House Painter Thinks It Will Revolutionize Chronological System. A Boston painter, who has invented a new astral law, which he believes will revolutionize the world's chronological system. According to his theory, the seasons changes are not caused by the earth's revolution around the sun, but rather by a yearly revolution of the sun in an orbit apart from the earth and by a balance motion of the sun in its orbit.

ROBBERS CAUGHT AT SAFE. Station Agent and His Daughter Surprised Two Men. Unionville, Conn., March 15.—A. A. Day, station agent, and his daughter Grace, who were in the station today, were surprised by two men who were attempting to rob the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad station.

Real Name is James Bludso. Concord, N. H., March 15.—Clearing up the mystery which has surrounded his identity since he was brought to the state prison here, and accompanying the admission of a revelation of a few facts, Joseph Doer, sentenced to life for the killing of Giuseppe Giuliani on a railroad train at Newmarket, has revealed his real name as James Bludso, and that he was born in Sarina, Ont., 33 years ago.

Transport Logan Moved. Good Prospects of Getting Her Off the Reef at Honolulu. Honolulu, March 15.—The lighthouse tender Kukui and the tug Iroquois and Interpel succeeded last night in moving the Standard Oil Company tug Logan for a short distance on the reef where the vessel had been stuck fast since Saturday when she went aground on the reef.

Brief Session of Senate. Senator Stephenson Sworn In—Reading of President's Proclamation. Washington, March 15.—The session of the senate today was very brief, the chief business being the reading of the president's proclamation calling an extra session of the Sixty-first congress, and the appointment of a committee to formulate a plan for the reduction of the tariff.

Oil Trust Fined \$20,000. Judge Hart Imposes Penalty for Accepting Railroad Rebates. Buffalo, N. Y., March 15.—Judge Hazel today denied the motion of the Standard Oil company for a new trial and imposed a fine of \$20,000 on the company for accepting rebates from railroads in the shipments of oil from Clevelan, N. Y.

Waterbury Man Suicides. Waterbury, Conn., March 15.—Edward O. Parker, aged 35 years, was found dead in a room at his home today as the result of taking a dose of carbolic acid. Parker had been out of work for some time, and it is believed that his act was caused by despondency. A widow and three children survive.

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CALL FROM NICARAGUA'S MINISTER
Says the Military and Naval Activity in His Country is for Defense Only
PROTEST TO SECRETARY OF STATE KNOX
Senor Espinosa Declares that No Attacks on Sister Republics is Contemplated—Notwithstanding this the United States will Augment the Naval Force in Central American Waters to Six Vessels.

Washington, March 15.—Nicaragua, through her minister here, Senor Espinosa, protested to Secretary Knox today that the military and naval activity now in progress in that country is entirely for defensive purposes; that she does not contemplate any attacks on her sister republics and that conditions are quiet within her borders. Emery Claim Discussed. The minister went to the state department armed with a bundle of despatches from his government and spent half hour with the secretary during which he discussed also the Emery claim which has been the source of dispute between the two countries for years.

SIX U. S. Naval Vessels in Central American Waters. Notwithstanding the minister's assertion of Nicaragua's peaceful intentions toward her neighbors, the administration has decided to augment the naval force in Central American waters to a total of six vessels. Besides the Yorktown, now enroute for Amalapa, Honduras, the armored cruisers Maryland and Washington are to remain on the west coast, the former going to Anapitla, Salvador, and the latter to Corinto.

Both the secretary and the minister expressed the hope after the conference that the conference would settle the claim and a peaceful solution of the whole situation. BATTLESHIPS' TRIP. WAS A REAL WAR CRUISE. Admiral Sperry Quoted—Speech at New York Banquet.

New York, March 15.—Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry and other officers of his fleet were guests of the Lambs Club at a banquet and gambol Sunday night. Reporters were not admitted, but Augustus Thomas, Shepherd of Lambs, after the affair, quoted Admiral Sperry as having said in substance in a speech at the banquet: "There seems to be a general impression that the cruise of the battleships was a practice cruise—a sort of pleasure trip. It was not a practice cruise. It was a real war cruise."

WAR MAY BREAK OUT. BY END OF THIS WEEK. Situation Between Austria and Serbia One of Extreme Gravity. Berlin, March 15.—Private advice received here from Vienna represents the situation between Austria and Serbia as one of extreme gravity. It is said in authoritative quarters that Austria will within a few days send an ultimatum to Serbia. The ultimatum is expected to be very short period for an answer to her representations. If the answer is unsatisfactory, it is declared, war is inevitable. War may break out by the end of the week.

SMALLPOX RAGING. IN NORTHERN GUATEMALA. Hundreds of Villages Along the Mexican Frontier Affected. Mexico City, March 15.—An epidemic of smallpox is said to prevail in northern Guatemala. Hundreds of villages along the Mexican frontier are affected and the disease has been vaccinated within the last week in an effort to check the disease. Mexico will enforce a strict quarantine at all points of entry. Heavy officials have been sent to the border to organize quarantine squads.

TWO KILLED IN EXPLOSION. Boiler Bursts—Fragments Hurlled Among Ice-Harvesting Crew. Gardiner, Me., March 15.—Although the dying fragments of an exploding boiler were hurled among an ice-harvesting crew, the explosion did not result in any deaths today, only two men were killed and another seriously injured. The accident happened at the Rich house of the American Ice company.

Arraignment in Panama Libel Case in New York. New York, March 15.—The Press Publishing company, publishers of the New York World, through its counsel, DeLancey Nicolai, pleaded not guilty before Judge Nathan S. Sutherland today to the charge of criminal libel in West Point and the New York Post in the Panama canal case. The counsel for the Panama canal case, George F. Ham, also entered a plea of not guilty to a similar charge in behalf of the Panama canal company. The case will be tried in New York.

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